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If the NAB manages to blow away the Instant Traffic and Weather on XM Satellite Radio, it will simply prove to one and all that "businesses" can wipe out the benefit of having much needed services that are provided by competition by simply having their respective "representatives" throw up a blockade.

AM and FM can't match what XM Satellite Radio presents to their many subscribers. First of all, the traffic and weather features on AM and FM are not there on a consistent basis. You have to wait for the "appropriate times" set by the radio stations. Then, there is the coverage. As an example: If a driver in Kansas City, on his way to Dallas, wants to know the traffic situation before arrival with his load, he has to wait until he is within 50 miles of Dallas before he can pick up a radio station that delivers traffic reports of any kind. Then, most times, it is presented rapidly ... surrounded by static.

There is also the danger of having to take your eye off the road to twist the AM or FM dial while searching for an AM or FM radio station that "might" present some kind of traffic report! With XM Satellite Radio, you set the dial and forget it, from coast to coast, throughout the United States.

PLEASE don't wipe away these much needed services presented by XM in order to please owners of AM and FM radio stations that can't compete with the system of satellite radio, the future of broadcasting, available now!

Sincerely,
Pat Cook, Jr.